

磁振影像學MRI 課程介紹與基本原理

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上課方式

- 內容講解
- 相關國考題

95 ~ 113年：放射線器材學

放射線診斷原理與技術學

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- (B) 3.下列關於逆磁性 (diamagnetism) 物質的敘述，何者正確？
- 逆磁性物質的磁化率 (susceptibility) 為正值
 - 含氧血紅素 (oxyhemoglobin) 為逆磁性物質
 - 在沒有外加磁場的情況下，逆磁性物質有一淨磁矩 (net magnetic moment)
 - 磁振造影對比劑 Gd 螯合物為逆磁性物質

(103 年第二次放射線器材學第 39 題)

- (D) 4.若磁振造影儀使用永久磁鐵，主磁場 (B0) 方向和激發射頻磁場 (B1) 方向通常與地面關係為何？

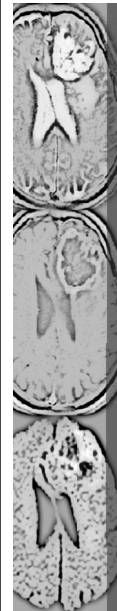
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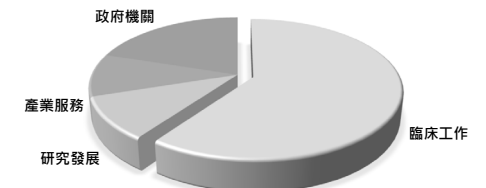
• 磁振成像原理

- 硬體設備、射頻脈衝、組織對比、影像重建、脈衝波序、影像假影與安全...等

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EMI course 醫用磁振學Magnetic Resonance in Medicine

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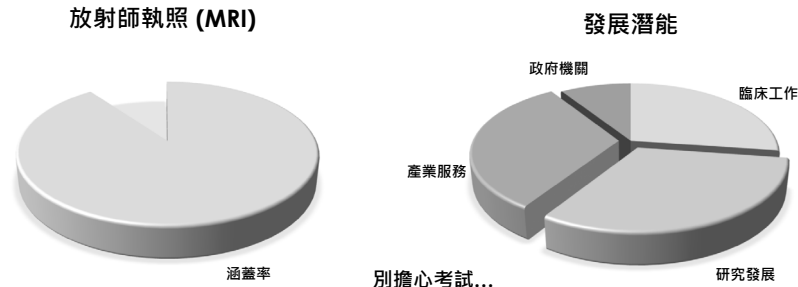
• 磁振造影技術

- 對比劑增強、功能性影像、擴散影像、血管攝影、頻譜分析、平行造影...等

放射師執照 (MRI)

• 陽明磁振造影室參觀與掃描

- 磁振造影室環境介紹、操作介面、影像掃描



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Magnetic Resonance Imaging

	Topics
Class 1	Introduction; Basic principles of MRI & Instrument
Class 2	Radio Frequency Pulse
Class 3	Relaxation time: T1, T2, and T2*
Class 4	TR, TE, and tissue contrast
Class 5 (9/29)	Off
Class 6 (10/6)	Off
Class 7	Image construction: slice selection & spatial encoding
Class 8	Image formation: K space
Class 9 (10/27)	Midterm exam

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Magnetic Resonance Imaging

	Topics
Class 10	Pulse sequences I: spin echo (SE)
Class 11	Pulse sequences II: gradient echo (GRE)
Class 12	Pulse sequences III: echo planar imaging (EPI)
Class 13	Tissue suppression techniques
Class 14	Artifacts in MRI
Class 15	Safety issues in MRI
Class 16 (12/15)	Final exam

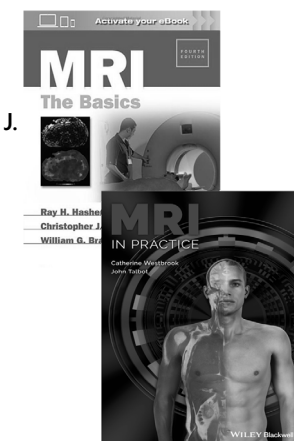
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 - Ray H. Hashemi, William G. Bradley, Christopher J. Lisanti
 - Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, 2017
- MRI in Practice, (5th edition)
 - Catherine Westbrook, Carolyn Kaut Roth, John Talbot
 - Wiley Blackwell, 2018



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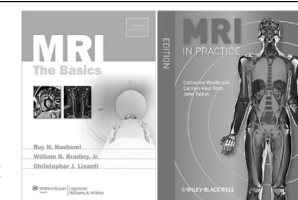
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- 期中考 (40%)：選擇與簡答題
- 期末考 (40%)：選擇與簡答題

包含國考精選題 !!

本週課程內容 <http://cflu.lab.nycu.edu>

- 磁振造影設備
- 磁振原理

- MRI The Basics (3rd edition)
 - Chapter 2: Basic Principles of MRI
- MRI in Practice, (4th edition)
 - Chapter 1: Basic Principles
 - Chapter 9: Instrumentation and equipment

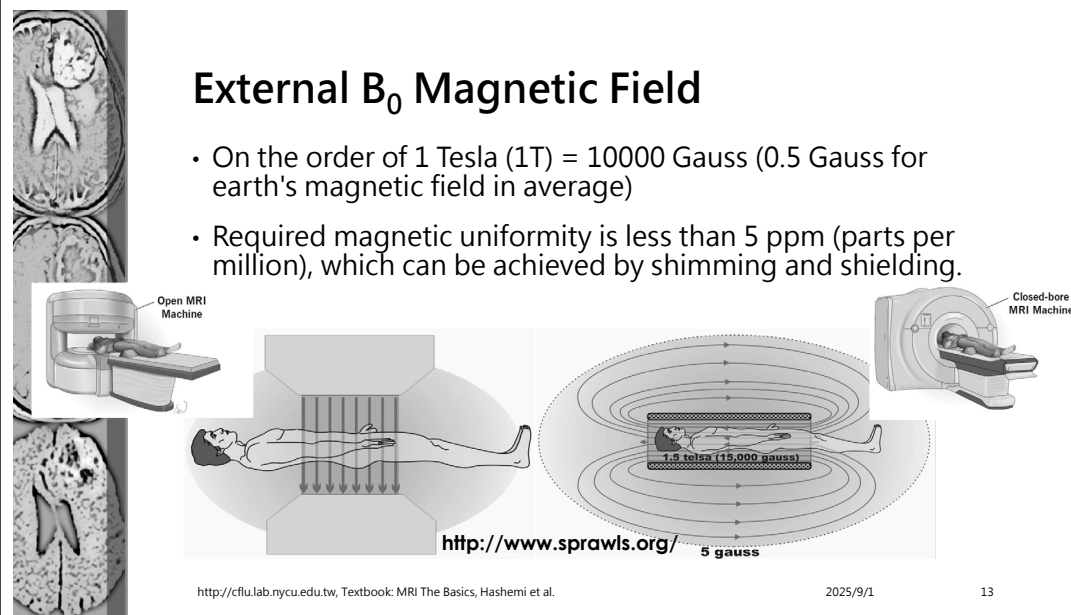


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MRI Instrument

External B_0 Magnetic Field

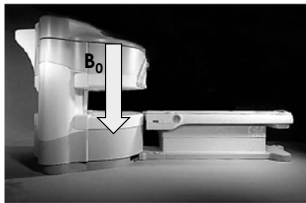
- On the order of 1 Tesla (1T) = 10000 Gauss (0.5 Gauss for earth's magnetic field in average)
- Required magnetic uniformity is less than 5 ppm (parts per million), which can be achieved by shimming and shielding.



Types of Magnets

alnico alloy: 鋁aluminum(Al) 、
鎳nickel(Ni) 、鈷cobalt(Co)合金

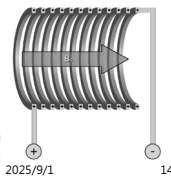
- Permanent magnets (for open MRI scanners), always stay on
- Resistive magnets (for low field MRI), can be turned on/off
- Superconducting magnets (the most common today)
 - operate near absolute zero temperature
 - generate a high B_0 without generating significant heat
 - require cryogenics (interior 4°K liquid helium; outer 77°K liquid nitrogen), very expensive !!
 - Niobium-titanium alloy (鈮鈦合金)



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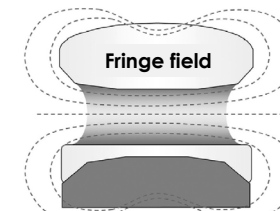


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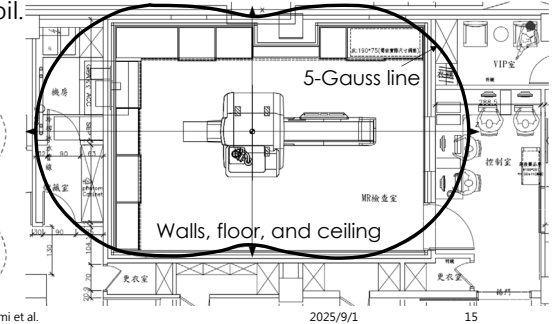
(屏蔽) Shielding

- 1) Prevent extraneous electromagnetic waves from contaminating/distorting the MR signal
- 2) Reduce electromagnetic field generated by the MR scanner

- **Passive (magnetic) shielding:** scanner room with galvanized steel plates
 - RF shielding is accomplished by lining the scan room walls with copper.
- **Active shielding:** additional solenoid electromagnets located around the outside of the main magnet coil.
- **5 Gauss line** – safety zone



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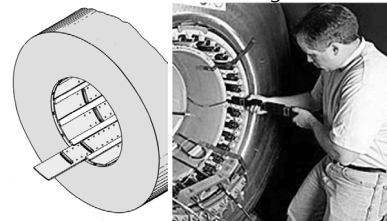
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(補墊) Shimming

Generally **passive shimming** is used to get the magnetic field to a particular level of homogeneity and then **active shimming** is used to optimize for each patient examination.

- **Passive shimming**
 - involving the use of ferromagnetic materials, typically iron or steel, placed in a regular pattern at specific locations along the inner bore of the magnet.
- **Active shimming**
 - performed by an electro-magnetic coil and can be used to shim the system for each patient or even each sequence within a protocol.



12-24 sliding trays arranged symmetrically with metallic shims
<http://mriquestions.com/passive-shimming.html>

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Coils

- **Gradient coils**
 - Shim coil – increase B_0 homogeneities
 - Imaging gradient coil – intentional perturbation for spatial encoding
- **Transmit and/or receive RF coils**
 - Linear phase or quadrature (receive or transmit)
 - Surface or volume (Helmholtz or solenoid)
 - Single or phased-array



Solenoid coil

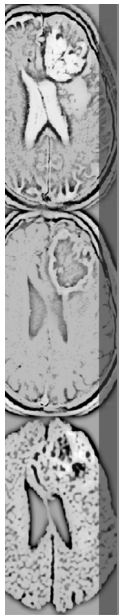


Helmholtz coil

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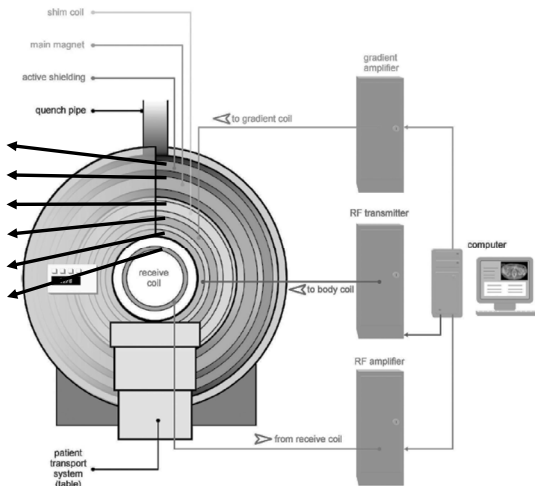
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Setup

- Outer → inner
 - Active shielding
 - Main magnet
 - Shim coil
 - Gradient coil
 - Body coil
 - Receive coil



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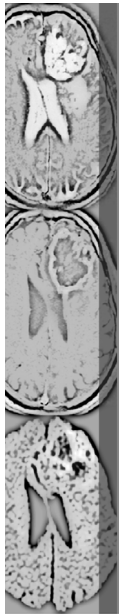
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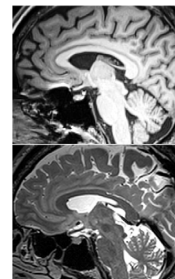
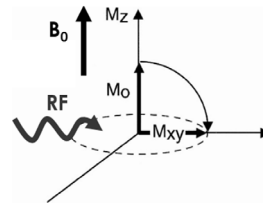
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Procedure of MRI

1. Alignment (magnetization) B_0
2. Precession $\omega_0 = \gamma B_0$
3. Resonance (given B_1 by RF with ω_2) $\omega_1 = \gamma B_1$, $B_1 \perp B_0$
 - The most effective resonance is produced when $\omega_0 = \omega_2$
4. MR signal (EMF, electromotive force)
5. Imaging (Pulse sequencing)
 - Image Contrast: Relaxation time
 - Spatial localization: Spatial Encoding



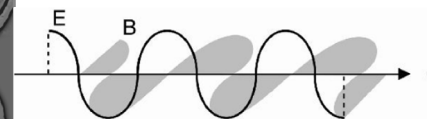
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Electromagnetic Waves

- All travel at the speed of light $c = 3 \times 10^8$ m/sec
- Maxwell's wave theory:
 - an electric field E
 - A magnetic field B



	Frequency (Hz)	Energy (eV)	Wavelength (m)
Gamma rays and X-rays	10^{24}	10^{10}	10^{-16}
	10^{23}	10^9	10^{-15}
	10^{22}	10^8	10^{-14}
	10^{21}	10^7	10^{-13}
	10^{20}	10^6 (1 MeV)	10^{-12} (1 pm)
Ultraviolet	10^{19}	10^5	10^{-11}
	10^{18}	10^4	10^{-10}
	10^{17}	10^3 (1 keV)	10^{-9} (1 nm)
Visible light	10^{16}	10^2	10^{-8}
Infrared	10^{15}	10^1	10^{-7}
Microwaves	10^{14}	10^0 (1 eV)	10^{-6} (1 μm)
	10^{13}	10^{-1}	10^{-5}
	10^{12} (1 GHz)	10^{-2}	10^{-4}
	10^{11}	10^{-3}	10^{-3} (1 mm)
	10^{10}	10^{-4}	10^{-2} (1 cm)
MRI	10^9	10^{-5}	10^{-1}
	10^8 (100 MHz)	10^{-6}	10^0 (1 m)
	10^7	10^{-7}	10^1

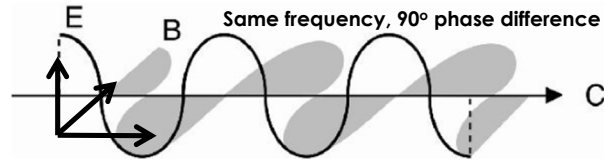
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Electromagnetic Waves

- The angular frequency $\omega=2\pi f$, f is linear frequency
- We are interested in the magnetic field rather than the electric field
 - Electric field generates heat



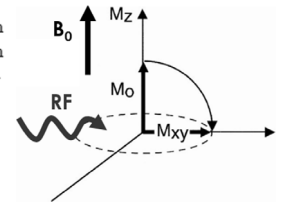
Changes in the E generates the B, and vice versa.

Radio frequency (RF) pulse

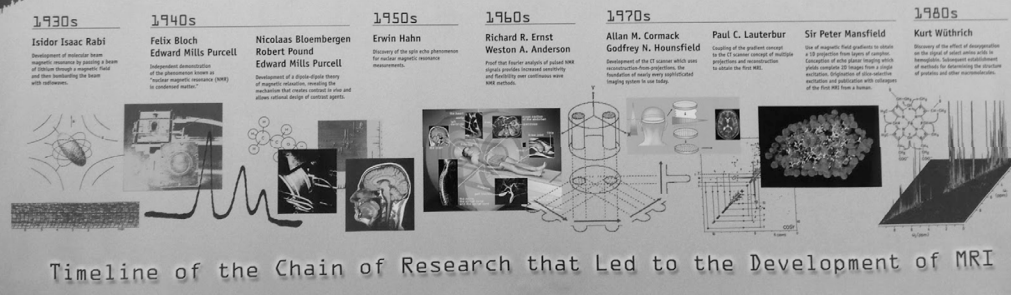
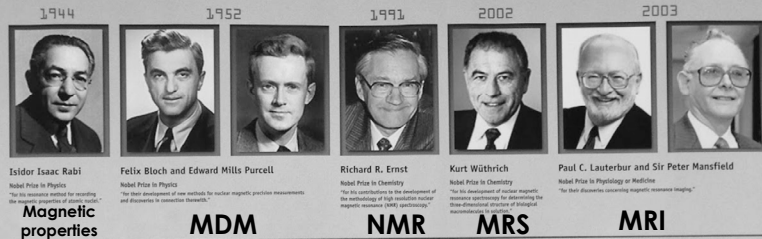
- The electromagnetic pulse used in MRI to get a signal is called an RF pulse.

	Frequency (Hz = Hertz)	Energy (eV = electron volts)	Wave Length (m = meters)
X-ray	$1.7-3.6 \times 10^{18}$ Hz	30-150 KeV	80-400 pm
Visible light (violet)	7.5×10^{14} Hz	3.1 eV	400 nm
Visible light (red)	4.3×10^{14} Hz	1.8 eV	700 nm
MRI	3-100 MHz	20-200 meV	6-60 m

AM radio frequency 0.54-1.6 MHz (540-1600 kHz)
 TV (Channel 2) Slightly over 64 MHz
 FM radio frequency 88.8-108.8 MHz
RF used in MRI 3-100 MHz

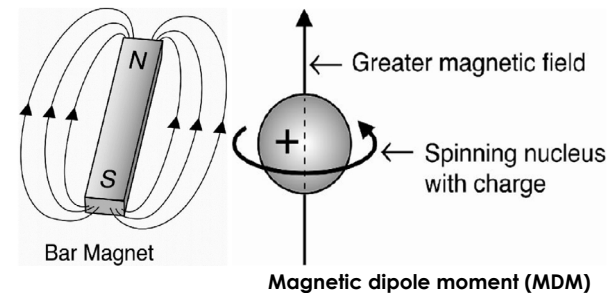


Nobel Prizes in Magnetic Resonance



Spins and electromagnetic field

- Felix Bloch (Standard University, Nobel prize in physics, 1952)
 - Any spinning charged particle (such as the hydrogen nucleus) creates an electromagnetic field.



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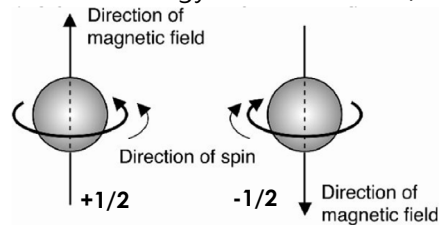
Quantum theory: Energy levels

- The hydrogen nucleus (a proton) has a spin quantum number (S)

$$S (^1\text{H}) = 1/2$$

- The number of energy states of a nucleus

$$\# \text{ of energy states} = 2S + 1 \quad (\text{for } ^1\text{H} = 2)$$



$$S (^{23}\text{Na}) = 3/2$$

$$\# \text{ of energy states} = 2 (3/2) + 1 = 4$$

$$(-3/2, -1/2, 1/2, 3/2)$$

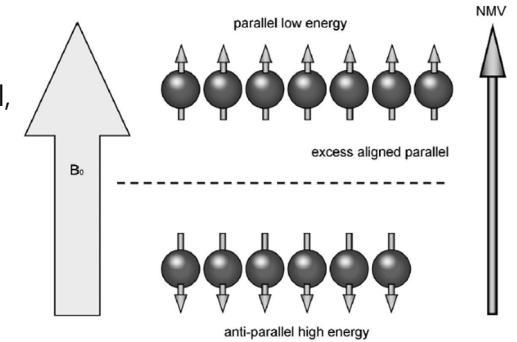
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Net Magnetic Vector (NMV)

- With B_0 , protons line up and approximately half spin-up (parallel, low energy) and half spin-down (anti-parallel, high energy).



- About one in a million more protons point in the direction of B_0 .

- ppm (parts per million)

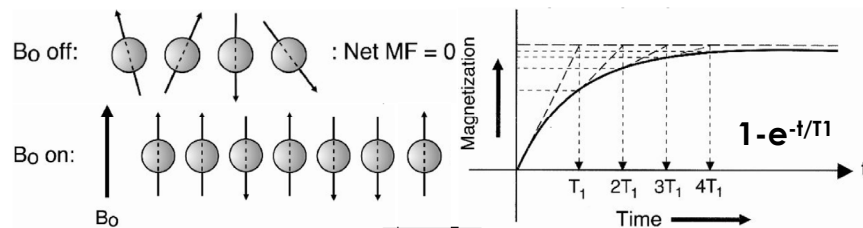
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Alignment & T1 Relaxation time

- At time $t = 0$, proton spins are distributed randomly and net magnetic field is zero.
- Immediately after B_0 is presented, magnetization increases over time.



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Spin and Precession



- Wheel rolling: spin
- Gravity: B_0



- Spiral precession

Magritek videos on youtube (6:33)!!

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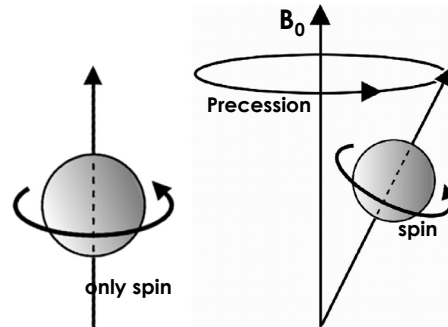
Precession

- With B_0 , the proton not only spins about its own axis, but also precesses about the axis of the B_0 .
- Each proton spins much faster about its own axis than it rotates around the axis of the B_0 .
- Larmor equation (frequency)

$$\omega = \gamma B_0$$

γ is gyromagnetic ratio (MHz/T)

For B_0 from 1.5T \rightarrow 3T
 $\omega = 42.6 \times 1.5T = 63.9 \text{ MHz}$
 $= 42.6 \times 3.0T = 127.8 \text{ MHz}$
 The RF range for MRI !!



Magnetic dipole moment (MDM)

- An MDM is found in any nucleus with an **odd number of protons, neutrons, or both**.
- MDM is the signal source of MRI.

		Spin Quantum Number (S)	Gyromagnetic Ratio (MHz/T)
1P0N	^1H	1/2	42.6
9P10N	^{19}F	1/2	40.0
11P12N	^{23}Na	3/2	11.3
6P7N	^{13}C	1/2	10.7
8P9N	^{17}O	5/2	5.8

$S \neq 0$, can be MR signal source

Hydrogen Nucleus (^1H)

- We use hydrogen for imaging because of...
 - its abundance (about 60~70% of body is water)
 - Hydrogen protons (^1H) in water (H_2O) and fat ($-\text{CH}_2-$)
 - its high MR sensitivity (high gyromagnetic ratio, $\gamma = 42.58 \text{ MHz/T}$)

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Magnetic Susceptibility, χ

- χ is the measure of magnetizability of a substance.
- The χ is defined as the ratio of the induced magnetic field (M) to the applied magnetic field H:

$$M = \chi H \text{ or } \chi = M/H.$$

- The *magnetic induction field* or *magnetic flux density*, B , is the net magnetic field effect caused by an external magnetic field H:

$$B = \mu H = (1 + \chi)H = H + M.$$

μ represents the *magnetic permeability*.

Magnetic Substances

- **Diamagnetic**
 - No unpaired orbital electrons
 - Under an external B_0 , a weak M is induced in the opposite direction to B_0 ($\chi < 0$ and $\mu < 1$).
 - Most tissues in body are diamagnetic.
- **Paramagnetic**
 - Unpaired orbital electrons
 - M is in the same direction as B_0 ($\chi > 0$ and $\mu > 1$).
 - Become demagnetized once the B_0 has been turned off.
 - Dipole-dipole (proton-proton and proton-electron) interactions cause T1 shortening (bright signal on T1-weighted images)
 - gadolinium (Gd) chelates – contrast agent
- **Superparamagnetic**
 - breakdown products of hemoglobin: deoxyhemoglobin, methemoglobin, hemosiderin

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Magnetic Substances

- **Ferromagnetic**
 - Become permanently magnetized even after the magnetic field has been turned off ($\chi \gg 0$ and $\mu \gg 1$).
 - Iron (Fe), cobalt (Co), and nickel (Ni)
 - Aneurysm clips and shrapnel

potential projectiles! Safety issue!

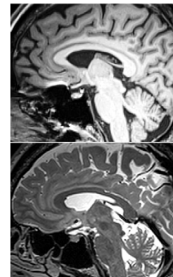
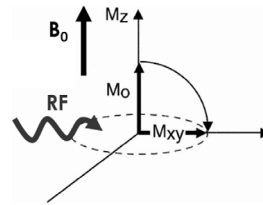
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